

914 17. A protective undergarment as in claim 1, wherein the sides are interconnected to form the pocket.

18. A protective undergarment as in claim 17, wherein the sides are interconnected by stitching.

REMARKS

The Specification and Drawing are amended for improved clarity and consistency, particularly with respect to numbering. No new matter is added.

Claim 1 is broaden, and limitations presented as new dependent claims 17 and 18. A minor correction is made to claim 16 for internal consistency, without narrowing scope.

A separate letter requesting approval of the Drawing amendment is submitted herewith, as is an attachment showing the clean version of the specification and claims with amendments made thereto included.

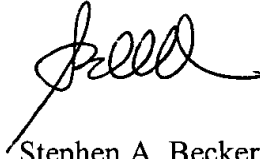
To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this

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paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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